

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
AUSTIN DIVISION**

FREE SPEECH COALITION, INC., §
et. al., §
Plaintiffs, §

V.

KEN PAXTON, in his official §
capacity as Attorney General for the §
State of Texas, §
Defendant. §

Civil Action No. 1:23-cv-00917-DAE

DEFENDANT'S NOTICE OF SUBSTITUTION

As of September 16, 2023, the Texas Attorney General is Ken Paxton. Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 25(d) provides that an “action does not abate when a public officer who is a party in an official capacity dies, resigns, or otherwise ceases to hold office while the action is pending. The officer’s successor is automatically substituted as a party. Later proceedings should be in the substituted party’s name, but any misnomer not affecting the parties’ substantial rights must be disregarded. The court may order substitution at any time, but the absence of such an order does not affect the substitution.” FED. R. CIV. P. 25(d). Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 25(d), Attorney General Paxton is automatically substituted as a party in place of Interim Attorney General Angela Colmenero. Attorney General Paxton requests that the Court enter the attached proposed order to reflect this substitution in the caption of this cause.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on September 22, 2023, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was served via the Court's electronic filing system to all counsel of record.



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